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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 21-38 are currently pending in this application.

The Examiner rejects claims 21-38 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-4 and 6-31 of U.S. Patent No. 6,725,408. Applicant has enclosed a Terminal Disclaimer for the purpose of shortening the term of the patent that issues on the present application so that the patent does not extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent No. 6,725,408.

In view of the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and an early indication of allowance of claims 21-38.

Respectfully submitted,

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